

CRIMINAL DOCKET MAY CONSUME ALL OF WEEK'S COURT

Judge Frank Daniels Presiding
Over Two Week's Term Of
Hertford County Superior
Court

DEPLORES TENDENCY TO NAG AT COURTS

Northampton County Habeas
Corpus Proceedings Takes
Up First Day

With the grand jury work-
ing overtime, many criminal
cases brought over from the
February term, and a murder
trial in progress, finishing the
criminal docket of the Hert-
ford County Superior Court in
the three days allotted to it has
already become a hopeless
task. Court opened Monday
morning just prior to noon,
Judge Frank Daniels presiding.
The grand jury was sworn in,
with B. Ferguson of Como
foreman, and the judge's
charge made before adjourn-
ment for the noon hour.

Judge Daniels entirely omit-
ted any explanation of the
statutes in his charge to the
jury, dedicating a large part of
it to an exhortation on the re-
quisites of a grand jury, and
impressing upon the jury the
eternal principles of justice
upon which they were delegat-
ed to pass. He defined the
three necessary qualifications
of a juror as being the pay-
ment of taxes for the support
of society, good morals, and
reasonable intelligence, "not
so much book learning but
common, ordinary intelli-
gence.

"College training and knowledge
of books, no doubt, provide a base
for higher intelligence and better
understanding, but it is not absolutely
essential to the intelligence require-
ment," said Judge Daniels. The jur-
ist did not offer any consolation to
those who howl about paying taxes,
and told the jurymen that no person
who was unwilling to help support
government and good order was a
good citizen, for he said, it required
finances to operate any agency for
good.

He decried the tendency among
some to shirk the duty of providing
funds to support organized society.
"Gentlemen, did you ever know of
some church member who, although
a christian, shirked his responsibility
when it came to giving money to
support the church? You have all known
of such persons. It is this kind of
person about whom I am talking,"
Judge Daniels was drawing an anal-
ogy between the church member and
the person who was enjoying good
government, both of whom were
shirkers and did not know the full
meaning of citizenship.

In morals, a grand jury member
should be the county's best, Judge
Daniels told the eighteen men who
sat in the jury box. "Respect for law
and order are synonymous with the
requisites for service on the jury of
Hertford County," said Judge Dani-
els. "Let's sit together and make
Hertford County the best county in
the whole United States."

Judge Daniels referred to the
liquor law violations, and charged the
jury to exert every diligence in stop-
ping the wholesale infractions of this
law.

He also paid tribute to the heroes
of wars, calling attention to the ta-
bets and statues erected to their mem-
ory throughout the country, ending
his reference to this phase of his
charge with an appeal for support to
the movement now on foot to erect
a memorial tablet at Winton in com-
memoration of the Hertford County
dead in the World War.

"If I thought the courts of this
State were as worthless as some
people accuse them of being, and if
they accomplished no more than the
persistent criticizer said they did, I
would resign my place and go back
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ORGANIZATION MEETING IS CALLED FOR ASSOCIATION

Stockholders In Building And
Loan To Elect Directors
Friday Afternoon

Stockholders of the Hertford
County Building & Loan Associa-
tion have been called to
meet in Richard Theater, Aho-
skie, Friday afternoon, April
20, at 4 o'clock. By-laws and
constitution will be presented
for adoption, and directors
elected at the meeting, thus
perfecting a permanent organi-
zation.

The committee appointed to solicit
stock to the initial series has done
some noble work within the past
week, and so great has been the re-
sponse to the movement that addi-
tional subscription cards were print-
ed. Every single person who has
subscribed to stock should attend the
meeting and see that proper directors
are elected to guide the new associa-
tion. Upon the directorate de-
volves the business of making the
building and loan a successful organi-
zation.

More than 550 shares have
already been subscribed to the
first series, and by meeting time
Friday at least 600 shares will be
taken. In order to give ample
opportunity for non-subscribers
to take stock and help elect di-
rectors for the organization, the
meeting will be open to all inter-
ested, although only stockholders
will be allowed votes. The books
will probably remain open for
a few days to receive further
subscriptions. However, it will
be for only a limited time,
and those who do not get shares
in this series will have to wait
until another series is opened.

The scope of the organization is
county wide; and subscribers from
other towns and communities will
be sought. Opportunity will be given
them to join in the movement, and
persons from Winton and Murfrees-
boro, as well as other communities
will be welcomed into the organiza-
tion.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB WILL BE ORGANIZED

Hon. W. R. Johnson Appointed
To Presidency Of Organiza-
tion Planned Here

Hon. W. R. Johnson, whose faith
in the tenets of the Party of Jefferson
is deep rooted and who is one of the
Democrat Party's wheel-horse organi-
zers and orators, has been appointed
to organize a National Democratic
Victory Club in Ahoskie. Nineteen
of these clubs have already been or-
ganized in the State, and many others
are in formation.

Ahoskie's Victory Club is just now
in the formative stage, but it does not
expect to be there long, according to
Mr. Johnson, who has been appointed
to the presidency. Outlines of the
plan of organization have been care-
fully scrutinized by him, and he has
made tentative plans for the early
organization.

Under the plan announced by
Chairman Cordell Hull, of the Demo-
cratic National Committee, members
will be enrolled to the Victory Clubs
for a twelve-months period, the year-
ly membership to be \$5. Through
these Clubs local work for the Party
will be done, while at the same time
funds would be available for carrying
on the work of the campaign commit-
tee in the 1924 election.

TAX LISTERS ARE NOW APPOINTED

County Tax Supervisor W. A.
Thomas, of Cofield, has announced
his assistants in the six townships of
the County. These men will begin
the work of taking lists in their
various townships immediately following
the next meeting of the county com-
missioners, which comes on May 7,
when the tax list books will be turned
over to them.

The appointments made are as fol-
lows: Ahoskie township, W. T.
Forbes; Harrellsville township, W. E.
Cullens; Maney's Neck township, G.
C. Picot; Winton township, W. L.
Matthews; St. Johns township, T. N.
Charles; Murfreesboro township, E.
N. Evans.

Work Of Eradicating Tick In County Soon Ready To Start

Local State Inspectors Have Been Appointed In Six Townships
Of The County, And Federal Department Representative
Is Here Directing Work Of Erecting Dipping Vats

Eradicating the tick from cattle and horses of Hertford
County having been ordered by the State of North Carolina,
through its last General Assembly, the business of erecting
dipping vats, and making arrangements for the administration
of the law is becoming one of the county's largest pieces of busi-
ness. Mr. Stevenson, of the Federal Department of Agriculture,
who is directing the work in zone one of the tick infested area,
has been in this county during the last week or ten days, super-
intending the location of vats, and giving instructions about their
erection.

There are nineteen counties in North Carolina that are
tick infested, and the law which was passed in the last Legisla-
ture, provides for these counties being divided into three zones.
Hertford is in the first zone which also includes Bertie, Gates,
Perquimans, Camden and Currituck. The tick eradication
program began in this zone March 1, these six being the first
to reap the rewards of the new law.

There will be forty dipping vats erected in the county,
seven of which are to be in Ahoskie township. Local state in-
spectors, provided for by the new law, have been appointed in
all of the six townships of the county, and are as follows: Aho-
skie township, W. P. Brewer; Harrellsville township, W. E. Cul-
lens; St. Johns township, P. J. Vaughan; Winton township, W.
M. Jordan; Murfreesboro township, Fred Parker; Maney's Neck
township, F. T. Railey. These men will see to it that the cattle
and horses in the county are properly dipped and the provisions
of the law carried out.

The tick eradication law as passed by the last General
Assembly, is as follows:

An Act To Provide For Tick Eradication In North Carolina

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That systematic dipping
of all cattle or horses infested with or
exposed to the cattle tick shall be
taken up in all counties or portions of
counties that shall at any time be
found partially or completely infested
with the cattle tick, under the direc-
tion of the State Veterinarian, acting
under the authority as hereinafter
provided in this act, and as provided
in all the other laws and parts of
laws of North Carolina, and the Live-
stock Sanitary Laws and Regulations
of the State Board of Agriculture, not
in conflict with this act.

Section 2. For the purpose of this
act and to efficiently conduct system-
atic tick eradication in cooperation
with the United States Department of
Agriculture, in the area under quar-
antine, on account of the cattle tick, said
area shall be divided into three zones,
as follows: Zone one shall embrace
the counties of Bertie, Hertford,
Gates, Perquimans, Camden, and Cur-
rituck; zone two, the counties of
Martin, Washington, Tyrrell, Dare,
Beaufort, and Hyde; and zone three,
the counties of Craven, Pamlico,
Jones, Carteret, Onslow, Brunswick,
and Columbus. The work of system-
atic tick eradication shall be taken
up in zone one on March first, nine-
teen hundred and twenty-three; in
zone two on January first, nineteen
hundred and twenty-four, and in
zone three on January first, nineteen
hundred and twenty-five, as herein
provided: Provided, that the State
Veterinarian may, upon the written
request of the board of county com-
missioners of any county, in said
zones two and three, take up the work
of systematic tick eradication in said
counties at an earlier date than herein
provided. When the work is so taken
up it shall be conducted to comple-
tion, as hereinafter provided.

Section 3. If it shall be determined
by the State Veterinarian or an
authorized quarantine inspector that
any county or counties not embraced
in said zones, one, two, and three shall
be partially or completely infested
with the cattle tick, the county com-
missioners of said county which the
partially or completely infested with
the cattle tick, shall immediately take
up the work of systematic tick eradi-
cation as hereinafter provided, and
continue same until the cattle tick is
completely eradicated, and notice in
writing of same is given by the State
Veterinarian.

Section 4. The county commission-
ers of the aforesaid counties shall
provide such numbers of dipping vats
as may be fixed by the State Veteri-
narian or his authorized representa-
tives, and provide the proper chemi-
cals and other materials necessary to
be used in the work of systematic
tick eradication in such counties,
which shall begin on said dates and
continue until the cattle tick is com-
pletely eradicated, and notice in

writing of same is given by the State
Veterinarian. The cost of said vats
and chemicals, or any other items in-
curred in carrying out the provisions
of this act, except sections five and
nine, shall be paid out of the general
county fund.

Section 5. The State Veterinarian
shall appoint the necessary number of
local State inspectors to assist in sys-
tematic tick eradication, who shall be
commissioned by the Commissioner of
Agriculture as quarantine inspectors.
The salaries of said inspectors shall
be fixed by the State Veterinarian,
and shall be sufficient to insure the
employment of competent men. If
the services of any of said inspectors
is not satisfactory to the State Vet-
ernarian his services shall immedi-
ately be discontinued, and his com-
missions cancelled. For the purpose
of paying the salaries of said State
inspectors, a sum not to exceed
\$50,000.00 annually is hereby appro-
priated.

Section 6. If the county commis-
sioners shall fail, refuse, or neglect
to comply with the provisions of this
act, the State Veterinarian shall ap-
ply to any court of competent juris-
diction for a writ of mandamus, or
shall institute such other proceedings
as may be necessary and proper to
compel such county commissioners to
comply with the provisions of this
act.

Section 7. Any person, or persons,
firms or corporations, owning or hav-
ing in charge any cattle, horses, or
mules in any county where tick eradi-
cation shall be taken up, or is in
progress under existing laws, on no-
tification by any quarantine inspector
to do so, have such cattle, horses, or
mules dipped regularly every fourteen
days in a vat properly charged with
arsenical solution, as recommended
by the United States Bureau of Ani-
mal Industry, under the supervision
of said inspector, at such times and
place and in such manner as may be
designated by the quarantine inspec-
tor. The dipping period shall be con-
tinued as long as may be required by
the rules and regulations of the State
Board of Agriculture, which shall be
sufficient in number and length of
time to completely desroy and eradi-
cate all cattle ticks in such county or
counties.

Section 8. Quarantine and dipping
notice for cattle, horses, and mules,
the owner or owners of which cannot
be found, shall be served by posting
copy of such notice in not less than
three public places within the county,
one of which shall be placed at the
county courthouse. Such posting
shall be due and legal notice.

Section 9. Cattle, horses, or mules
infested with or exposed to the cattle
tick, the owner or owners of which,
after five days written notice from a
quarantine inspector, or such animals
as are provided for in section eight,
shall fail or refuse to dip such animals
regularly every fourteen days in a vat
properly charged with arsenical solu-
tion, as recommended by the United
States Department of Agriculture,
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AHOSKIE MINISTER TALKS ON THRIFT IN BUSINESS

Rev. E. J. Isenhower Believes
Church People Should Pro-
mote Town's Interests

Declaring that the interests of the
Ahoskie Baptist church and of every
other church in the town of Ahoskie
was inseparably bound up with the
progress of the municipality and com-
munity in which located, Rev. E. J.
Isenhower, pastor of the church, last
Sunday morning preached to his con-
gregation on the subject of "Thrift,"
urging his hearers to be thrifty in
material things as well as in moral
and religious endeavors.

He prefaced his talk by saying that
he had been requested to preach upon
that subject, at the same time feeling
it to be a worth while subject upon
which to talk before a religious gather-
ing. "You may call it a talk, a sermon,
or anything you may like," said
Reverend Isenhower. "Whatever you
may think it to be, I am sincere in
believing thrift in all things is in line
with the teachings of the Bible, and I
urge it upon you."

He said he believed the people of the
church should be vitally interested
and concerned with the moral affairs
of Ahoskie. He thought the church
should promote those things which
tend to help morality, and should
frown upon and help to drive out de-
moralizing influences, such as the
public dance and whiskey trafficking
and drinking. He cited an instance
of an Ahoskie person seen last week
on the streets under the influence of
liquor.

In matters pertaining to education,
he was firm in the belief that the
church people should work for ad-
vancement. "Intelligence in church
administration must ultimately be
derived from the training provided
within the school, and in the propor-
tion the church is to have this intelli-
gent administration it must lend its
influence to improving school condi-
tions. Other agencies working for
general enlightenment should also re-
ceive support from the church."

Pastor Isenhower then cited to his
people the work being undertaken by
the local Chamber of Commerce, an
organization, he thought, should have
the backing from all those interested
in the better welfare of the town.
He stressed the need of local per-
sons to unloose the reins of their nig-
gardly purses, pool their resources,
and promote interests calculated to
add to the material resources of the
town and community. For, he said,
material progress of Ahoskie means
better churches, better schools, and a
general improvement of all those
agencies making for better citizen-
ship.

Particular attention was called to
the formation of a building and loan
association, an organization which
was commended to every member of
the church. Through it, he said,
homes could be built, churches sided,
schools enlarged, and industries
brought to town. The organization
of a Boy Scout Troop in Ahoskie,
another Chamber of Commerce move-
ment, was also commended, and co-
operation urged.

HERTFORD COUNTY TO HAVE A FAIR

Upon the third attempt to se-
cure a quorum of the stockhold-
ers of the Hertford County Fair
Association, a meeting was held
last Monday at Winton, just
prior to the convening of superi-
or court. It required an hour
or more to round up enough
stock to transact business.

Discussion of the life or death
of a fair for Hertford County
finally resulted in a motion to
continue the fair for 1923, and,
if possible, to sell more stock
and place the organization on a
firmer footing. A report of the
secretary-treasurer showed a
slight profit out of the 1922 fair.
The Association has either broken
even or made a small profit
each year during its life, with the
notable exception of 1921, when
it lost several thousand dollars.
The deficit is now being carried
by a note.

All of the old officers were re-
elected at the meeting Monday,
and instructions given to the
directors to make plans for the
fair to be held this fall some
time.

COUNTY TO STAGE COMMENCEMENT ON THURSDAY, MAY 3

Superintendent Britton's Office
Makes Announcement of
Annual Contests Between
Schools

INVITATION GIVEN FOR PARTICIPATION

Plan of Elimination Includes
Township Program; Certi-
cates Awarded

Hertford County is to enjoy
another county school com-
mencement. N. W. Britton,
County Superintendent, and
Miss Mary Williams, Rural
Supervisor, have just issued the
formal announcement, giving
an outline of the contests to be
put on for the day, and sug-
gesting a method of elimination
for the schools that are expect-
ed to participate.

An invitation has been ex-
tended to every school in the
county to participate, and none
will probably pass up the op-
portunity. The commence-
ment will be held in Winton,
Thursday, May 3, beginning at
10 o'clock A. M. The follow-
ing announcement has been is-
sued from the office of County
Superintendent.

"The county commencement will
be at Winton in the high school
building on Thursday, May 3, be-
ginning at 10:30 o'clock.

"As the name implies it will be
a county affair, all the white schools
of the county having been invited to
participate and nearly all are plan-
ning to take part.

"The exercises of the day will con-
sist of contests of various kinds; such
as, declamations, recitations, story
telling, reading and athletics.

"There will be placed on exhibition
from each township in the county the
best specimens of penmanship, draw-
ing, paper cutting, illustrated story,
original story, maps, sewing, knit-
ting, crocheting, embroidery and
wood work.

"Our plan is that each school enter
a contest to ascertain who the win-
ners are in the above subjects, then
the winners in each school contest
meet in a township contest in their
respective townships and likewise
the winners in the various township con-
tests meet at the county commence-
ment for a final contest.

"All the seventh grade pupils who
pass the seventh grade examination
will receive their certificates at the
commencement.

"The public is cordially invited to
attend all the contest, school, town-
ship and county and especially the
exercises of commencement on the
3rd of May at Winton.

N. W. BRITTON,
County Superintendent.
MARY WILLIAMS, Rural Supervisor

WILL SETTLE CASE STREET OPENING

An attempt will be made at a spe-
cial session of the town council Friday
night to settle the case of R. J.
Baker estate against the town of
Ahoskie, in the matter of price to be
paid for property adjoining the A. C.
L. Railroad to be used for street pur-
poses. When the property was con-
demned a few years ago, Mr. Baker
who was then living appealed from
the decision of the appraisers, who
awarded him \$1200.

Pembroke Baker, administrator,
and other heirs of the estate are now
willing to attempt settlement without
going to court. The case is set for
next Tuesday, but attorneys have
been asked to defer action pending
the outcome of Friday night's meet-
ing of the council.

The council is still wrestling with
the electric current proposition in
Ahoskie. Interests here are seeking
day current with which to operate,
and the council is seeking to arrange
terms for 24-hour service that will
guarantee full operation.

The pen may be mightier than the
sword but France doesn't believe it.